

Expenses

For current information on Tuition and Fees, check our web page at www.nmt.edu or call the Admission Office at 1.800.428.TECH.

The minimum estimated expenses which must be met **per semester** by single, full-time students living on campus at New Mexico Tech during the 2007-2009 school year are:

Undergraduate Costs per Semester

<i>Resident</i>	<i>Non-Resident</i>	
\$1,719.72	\$5,436.48	Tuition (based on 12–18 credit hours)
\$265.80	\$265.80	Student fees (estimated total)
\$664	\$664.00	Personal expenses (estimated)
\$2,345	\$2,345.00	Room and board (double room, 150 block meal plan)
\$433.00	\$433.00	Books and supplies (estimated)
\$5,427.52	\$9,144.28	Total Estimated Minimum Costs per Semester

Graduate Costs per Semester

<i>Resident</i>	<i>Non-Resident</i>	
\$1,796.31	\$5,777.01	Tuition (based on 12–18 credit hours)
\$256.62	\$256.62	Student fees (estimated total)
\$664	\$664.00	Personal expenses (estimated)
\$2,345	\$2,345.00	Room and board (double room, 150 block meal plan)
\$433.00	\$433.00	Books and supplies (estimated)
\$5,494.93	\$9,455.63	Total Estimated Minimum Costs per Semester

The student should add travel costs and laboratory and special fees where applicable. **Tuition, fees, and charges for room and board are subject to legislative and administrative change at any time.** Charges for damage to property beyond normal wear and tear may be levied at the discretion of Tech.

A complete list of possible charges and an explanation of each appears on the next pages. Schedules outlining refund procedures follow. All charges are due and payable on or before registration or whenever they are incurred (page 37).

Tuition

Undergraduate Students

Any undergraduate who registers for 12 to 18 credit hours pays full tuition. Additional tuition for all hours carried above 18 credit hours will be charged at the semester hourly rate for residents or nonresidents as applicable. Students registered for 11 credit hours or less pay tuition at the semester hourly rates.

Graduate Students

Any graduate student who registers for 9 to 13 credit hours pays full tuition. Additional tuition for all hours carried above 13 credit hours will be charged at the semester hourly rate for residents or nonresidents as applicable. Graduate students registering for fewer than nine credit hours pay tuition at the semester hourly rates.

Schedule of Charges

Nonrefundable Charges

Application Fees

\$15	Undergraduate
\$16	Graduate
\$30	Graduate (for mailed international applications)

Admission Fees

\$50	Undergraduate
\$25	Graduate

Graduation Fees

\$20	Associate’s Degree
\$20	Bachelor’s Degree
\$30	Master’s Degree
\$40	Ph.D. Degree
\$50	Thesis or Dissertation Defense Fee

Miscellaneous Fees

\$10	Challenge Examination Fee (per semester hour)
\$25	Deferred Payment Plan Fee
\$5	I.D. Card Replacement
\$27.25	Late Registration Fee (each day)
\$27.25	Late Validation Fee (each day)
\$40	Orientation Fee
\$6.54	Transcript (per transcript)
\$3.50	Withdrawal Fee

Refundable Charges

Tuition per semester (full-time students)

Resident	
\$1,719.72	Undergraduate (12–18 hrs)
\$1,796.31	Graduate (9–13 hrs)

Nonresident	
\$5,436.48	Undergraduate (12–18 hrs)
\$5,777.01	Graduate (9–13 hrs)

Tuition (per semester hour for part-time students)

Resident	
\$143.31	Undergraduate
\$199.59	Graduate

Nonresident	
\$453.04	Undergraduate
\$641.89	Graduate

Fees and Deposits (per semester)

\$69.36	Auxiliary Services Fee
\$10.44	Institute Activities Fee
Variable	Laboratory Usage Fee
\$52.32	Sports Activities Fee
	Undergraduate Student Activities Fee
\$77.64	Students taking 7 hours or more
\$38.81	Part-time Students (6 hours or fewer)
	Graduate Student Activities Fee
\$68.46	Students taking 9 hours or more
\$34.23	Part-time Students (8 hours or fewer)
\$56.04	Student Center Fee
\$100	Room Reservation/Damage Deposit
\$200	Housing Deposit (Student Family Housing)

Housing Charges per semester - 2006–2007 rates. (2007–2009 rates are not set until after this catalog goes to press.)

\$1,145	Room (double occupancy)
\$1,485	Room (single occupancy)
\$1,760	Guest House
\$1,945	Four-bedroom apartment (furnished)
\$2,080	Two-bedroom apartment (furnished)
\$2,700	Family Housing (per semester)

Board Charges per semester - 2006–2007 rates. (2007–2009 rates are not set until after this catalog goes to press.)

\$1,400	250 block meal plan plus 25 Tech dollars
\$1,336	200 block meal plan plus 25 Tech dollars
\$1,246	175 block meal plan plus 50 Tech dollars
\$1,200	150 block meal plan plus 75 Tech dollars

**All fees are subject to change without prior notice*

Auditors, Special Students, and Senior Citizens

Students who audit courses (those who enroll in one or more courses for no credit) pay the same tuition and fees as credit students.

Special students, as classified by the Admission Office or Registrar, pay required tuition and fees per credit hour. Special students may not register for more than six credit hours per semester. Non-resident tuition is waived for special students enrolled for no more than six credit hours.

The non-degree-seeking student who has a bachelor's degree is regarded by New Mexico Tech as a Special Graduate Student. Special Graduate Students will be charged tuition at undergraduate rates for courses numbered less than 300 and graduate tuition for all courses numbered 300 and above.

Tuition for students 65 or older is \$5.00 per credit hour and must be requested at time of registration. Applicable fees must also be paid.

Residency

You are considered a resident of New Mexico if your parents or legal guardians are residents of New Mexico.

If you are over 18 years of age, you may become a legal resident of New Mexico while attending New Mexico Tech. See page 48 for information on changing your residency.

Non-resident aliens cannot obtain New Mexico residency. With the exception of graduate students employed as teaching or research assistants, international students do not qualify for in-state tuition.

Navajo Residency

Registered members of the Navajo Tribe who reside anywhere within the Navajo Nation are considered New Mexico residents for tuition purposes.

Refunds

Tuition and Applicable Fees, Fall and Spring Semesters

Prior to 5 p.m. on the third Friday after classes begin

The student who drops all fall and spring classes at New Mexico Tech prior to 5 p.m. on the third Friday after classes begin will receive a refund according to the following schedule:

	<i>Refund of tuition and fees</i>
Registration week (days 1 through 5)	100%
Days 6 through 12	75%
Days 13 through 19	70%
Days 20 and beyond	0%

The student who drops some, but not all, classes (reduction in class load) prior to 5 p.m. on the third Friday after classes begin will receive a 100% refund for the classes dropped.

After the third Friday after classes begin

No refunds are made to students who withdraw from any or all fall or spring classes after the third Friday after classes begin.

Tuition and Applicable Fees, Summer Semester

Prior to 5 p.m. on the first Friday after summer classes begin

The student who drops any or all summer classes at New Mexico Tech prior to 5 p.m. on the first Friday after classes begin will receive a 100% refund.

After the first Friday after classes begin

No refunds are made to students who withdraw from any or all summer classes after the first Friday after classes begin.

Financial Aid Implications

Student receiving financial aid who withdraw from all classes are subject to a Return of Title IV Funds policy, which returns funds to the financial aid programs. For further information, see Return of Title IV Funds, page 27.

Room (Apartment or Residence Hall) Cancellation Policy

All refunds are based upon the student being formally released from the housing agreement.

The \$100 Room Reservation/Damage Deposit serves as both a reservation fee and contractual guarantee. Refunds are made as follows:

- The student may cancel his or her agreement without penalty by June 1 for the fall semester, December 1 for the spring semester, and May 1 for the summer semester.
- The student who cancels his or her agreement after the above dates but before the beginning of the term will be charged a \$250 fee for breaking the contract. The Room Reservation/Damage Deposit will be released into the student's account.
- The student who cancels his or her agreement after the beginning of the term will receive a refund based on the following schedule:

70%	during the first week of the term
60%	during the second week of the term
50%	during the third week of the term
40%	during the fourth week of the term
30%	during the fifth week of the term
0%	during and after the sixth week of the term

The Room Reservation/Damage Deposit will be released into the student's account.

Students with extenuating circumstances for canceling the residence hall agreement must request, in writing to the Residential Life Office, a waiver of the fee charged for breaking the contract and/or waiver of the refund schedule.

Board

Should a student cancel before or during the third week of the Residence Hall Term (regardless of where they live), the student will be charged for the number of weeks he/she has been on the board plan (half weeks will be rounded up to the following full week) and will be refunded the rest of the board fee. After the third week of the Residence Hall Term (regardless of where they live), the student will not be refunded any portion of the board plan and may continue to use the board plan.

You may not make any changes to your board plan after the first Friday after registration each semester.

Students with extenuating circumstances for canceling the room and board agreement must request, in writing from the Residential Life Office, a waiver of contract break fee and/or waiver of refund schedule.

Payment of Fees

- 1) Tuition and fees are not deferrable. They must be paid by registration. Except for work-study, financial aid that has been awarded to you will be credited to your account at this time.
- 2) Students with delinquent accounts will not be allowed to register for a new semester.
- 3) Payment for bookstore merchandise must be made in full at the time of purchase. (The bookstore accepts most major credit cards.)
- 4) Room and board may be paid on a deferred payment plan only if a student has filled out a deferred payment form. This form may be picked up at the Student Accounts Office, located at the Joseph A. Fidel Center. Request forms should be returned prior to registration. The fee is \$25.

The deferred payment schedule is:

- a) One-third of room and board is due at registration.
 - b) Second one-third is due six weeks after registration.
 - c) Final one-third is due 12 weeks after registration.
- 5) Students whose accounts are not paid in full by the due date or who have not made alternate arrangements with the Student

Accounts Office are subject to permanent loss of academic credit, as well as disenrollment from all classes. Students have the right to appeal to the Dean of Students in writing no later than one week (five working days) before the final payment date.

- 6) A check will automatically be issued to students with a credit balance of \$100 or more. Refund checks will be issued twice during registration week (actual days will be determined on a semester-by-semester basis) and every Friday afternoon thereafter. Students who have a credit balance of less than \$100 must request the refund at the Student Accounts office. Checks will be held at the Cashier's window for pick up by the student. A current, valid student ID must be presented.
- 7) All financial aid—including scholarships, loans, and grants—is applied during the semester in which it is awarded. Aid cannot be applied retroactively.
- 8) Rent for Student Family Housing must be paid in advance. Students with delinquent housing accounts may be asked to vacate campus residences.
- 9) Telephone charges must be paid by the tenth of the month, or service may be terminated.

Definitions of Fees

Admission Fee

An Admission Fee is payable when the applicant is admitted and ensures the student's inclusion in the registration procedures. The fee is not refundable.

Application Fee

Each student applying for admission to New Mexico Tech must submit an application fee for undergraduate or graduate admission. This nonrefundable fee must be received before the application can be processed.

*Auxiliary Services Fee

This fee defrays expenses of various auxiliary services on the campus, including the Swim Center, Macey Center, Golf Course, Children's Center, and Student Activity Center.

Challenge Examination Fee

Special or challenge examinations must be arranged in advance and a fee per semester hour is charged for each.

Computer Usage Fee

The Tech Computer Center charges a basic fee to each student who uses the machines. Additional fees for file storage space and printouts beyond the minimum will also be charged.

Deferred Payment Plan Fee

A fee is charged to students who qualify for a deferred payment plan covering room and board. One-third of the total amount is due at registration and the balance is due in accordance with a schedule set by the Business Office. Students will not be allowed to register for a new semester until their accounts are paid in full for the previous semester. Students who have delinquent accounts are subject to administrative withdrawal of current registration and loss of credits for the semester.

Graduation, Thesis, and Dissertation Fees

When candidates for the associate's or bachelor's degree file their candidacy declaration, they pay a graduation fee to cover the cost of diploma, cap, gown, and miniature diploma. Students completing the master's and doctoral degrees are charged designated graduation fees. Graduate students who are not registered when they defend their thesis or dissertation must pay an additional defense fee.

I.D. Card Replacement

A fee is charged for the replacement of a broken or lost student identification card.

*Institute Activities Fee

The Institute Activities Fee provides a base for the support of student social and cultural activities and corresponding facilities.

Late Registration Fee

Students who fail to register during the designated period are charged a late fee. This stipulation applies to all regular undergraduate and graduate students. Special students are not charged this fee.

Late Validation Fee

Students who fail to validate their registration on the day of registration are charged a late validation fee. Students who register late and who do not validate their registration that day will also be charged. This fee applies to all regular undergraduate and graduate students. Special students are not charged this fee.

Orientation Fee

A fee is charged for new student orientation.

Readmission Fee

A fee is charged for processing readmission to Tech.

Room and Board

Room and board are charged through the Residential Life Office. The total amount varies depending upon the type of room occupancy and meal contract. The base rate is calculated for double occupancy of room with 150 block meal plan. Other meal plans are available. At an additional charge, single occupancy is offered when space permits. Students must supply all linens, including a mattress pad protector. More information is provided in the housing agreement, which must be executed for each academic year.

The semester charge for room and board does not include meals during recesses nor during the few days at the beginning and end of each semester when most students are away from the campus. The student may only occupy the room during break periods upon payment of an additional fee and when Tech offers interim housing. The halls are generally closed between fall and spring semesters and may be closed at other times between terms when conditions warrant. Altamirano Apartments, Desert Willow Apartments, Mountain Springs Apartments, and Guest House remain open during semester breaks. Schedules for residence halls and dining facilities are published at the beginning of each residence period.

**Regular students registered for fewer than 12 credit hours pay one-twelfth the fee per credit hour.*

Room Reservation/Damage Deposit

A Room Reservation/Damage Deposit is required before housing will be assigned. The deposit will be refunded under the following conditions:

- 1) The student has been declared academically ineligible to enter, continue, or return to New Mexico Tech.
- 2) The term of the student's Room and Board Agreement has been completed (i.e., the student has remained in the Residence Hall the entire semester), and no damage has been noted.

If the student has filled out the necessary paperwork to ensure himself/herself a room for the semester but cancels the room reservation or does not show up for check-in by the first day of classes, the student is subject to the Room Cancellation Policy (page 37). If a student is unable to check in by the first day of classes, he or she must request, in writing, to have the room set aside for a specific day. This specific day should not exceed a week from the first week of classes.

*Sports Activities Fee

This fee is charged each semester in support of the intramurals program and corresponding facilities.

Student Activities Fee

All students pay a Student Activities Fee each semester. The funds collected are disbursed to the student organizations and activities according to a budget prepared by the Student Association and approved by the administration.

*Student Center Fee

A Student Center Fee provides monies to amortize and support the Joseph A. Fidel Center.

Transcript Fee

Students are entitled to one official transcript of their academic records without charge per lifetime. A fee is charged for further copies. Free unofficial transcripts are available to currently enrolled students. Unofficial transcripts are not issued between semesters.

Withdrawal Fee

Students who withdraw from a class or classes after registration closes must pay a withdrawal fee for every withdrawal authorization form.

Tech Dollars

Tech Dollars are the same as cash and may be used for the purchase of drinks, snacks, to go items, and all menu items sold in the canteen. As an example, if you have 75 Tech Dollars after the purchase of \$3 worth of food items the remaining balance would be 72 Tech Dollars. Tech Dollars apply to one semester only and may not be carried over to the next semester. No **Refunds** will be given for Tech Dollars. At the end of each semester Tech Dollars remaining in a student's account will be zeroed out

Undergraduate Student Status

Regular Students

Undergraduate students who are pursuing a degree program are classified as regular students. Full-time regular students are those who enroll for 12 or more credit hours during the fall and spring semesters; part-time regular students are those who enroll for fewer than 12 credit hours. (This designation does not apply to graduating seniors.) These students shall be subject to the following:

- Part-time students will be eligible for financial aid only in proportion to their course loads and will be subject to restrictions imposed by federal and/or state guidelines.
- In order to maintain satisfactory progress and remain in good standing, the part-time student must meet the same standards as full-time regular students.

Classification of Regular Students

Undergraduate students are classified by the number of credit hours they have completed:

Freshman	0 to 29 credit hours
Sophomore	30 to 59 credit hours
Junior	60 to 89 credit hours
Senior	90 credit hours and above

Special (Non-Degree) Students

Students who are not pursuing a degree program are classified as special students. While special students are free to choose a program best suited to meet their individual needs, they are expected to meet the prerequisite or corequisite requirements for a course. Special undergraduate students may enroll for no more than six credit hours per semester. Special students must change to regular status in order to graduate. (See Change of Student Status, page 40.)

Transfer Students

Students in good academic standing at other colleges and universities (2.0 minimum GPA) are eligible for transfer admission to New Mexico Tech. Credits taken at another institution will be evaluated and transferred on a course-by-course basis. See page 20 for information on how to apply for admission and transfer of credit.

Veterans

The Veterans Administration requires students on the GI Bill to carry a minimum of 12 credit hours (6 credit hours in summer) to qualify for full benefits. The minimum credit hours must apply toward the student's degree requirements. Physical Recreation (PR), Fine Arts (FA), and Community College (designated by the letter "C" in the course number) courses do not count toward the minimum credit hours for veterans.

If, for some reason, the student desires to drop a course during the semester that would bring the load below 12 credit hours, permission must first be obtained from the student's academic advisor. The Office of the Registrar must be notified that the student is dropping from full-time enrollment at the time the change of program card is returned to the Office of the Registrar.

Further information can be obtained in the Office of the Registrar.

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